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July 10, 2006

Randi Rubin Rodriguez  
Executive Director  
'Rkids, Inc.  
45 Dixwell Avenue  
New Haven, CT 06511

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 06-30790-EXM  
'Rkids, Inc.  
CON Exemption Pursuant to Section 19a-639b, C.G.S.  
Establish Psychiatric Outpatient Treatment Program for Adults in New Haven

Dear Ms. Rodriguez:

The Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") is in receipt of your request for exemption from the Certificate of Need ("CON") process, pursuant to Section 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S."), to establish a psychiatric outpatient treatment program for adults at 45 Dixwell Avenue in New Haven.

Upon review of the information contained in the request, OHCA finds the following:

1. 'Rkids, Inc. is a non-profit facility that currently provides clinic assessment, treatment, parent education and support services to adoptive, foster, and relative caregivers at 45 Dixwell Avenue in New Haven.
2. 'Rkids, Inc. is proposing to establish a psychiatric outpatient treatment program for adults at 45 Dixwell Avenue in New Haven.
3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter dated June 19, 2006, from Deputy Commissioner Peter B. Rockholz, M.S.S.W., recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b for 'Rkids, Inc. to provide outpatient and intensive outpatient psychiatric services for adults.
4. DMHAS states that 'Rkids, Inc. anticipates serving 45 to 50 children and 40 to 45

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parents/adult adoptees annually. The services will assist foster and adoptive families experiencing stress and/or behavioral issue brought on by the many challenges encountered in caring for children in transition and adult adoptees.

5. The total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$6,000.00

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that 'Rkids, Inc.'s request to establish a psychiatric outpatient treatment program for adults at 45 Dixwell Avenue in New Haven meets the exemption requirements of Section 19a-636b of the Connecticut General Statutes and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's CON process. Termination of these services would require CON approval, pursuant to Section 19a-638, C.G.S.

Thank you for providing information to OHCA regarding this proposal. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Paolo Fiducia, Associate Health Care Analyst, Certification, Financial Analysis and Forecasting, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel  
Commissioner

C: Peter B. Rockholz, M.S.S.W., Deputy Commissioner, DMHAS  
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